

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: NA  
TAGS: PROP, XF, IZ  
SUBJ: CHRISTMAS IN IRAQ AND SADAT-BEGIN TALKS

1. IRAQ NEWS AGENCY ANNOUNCED THAT THE HEADS OF CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES IN IRAQ HAVE DECIDED TO CANCEL ALL CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR CELEBRATIONS THIS YEAR DUE TO THE DEPRESSING CONDITION CONFRONTING THE ARAB NATION. CELEBRATIONS ARE TO BE CONFINED TO CHURCH SERVICES. INA ALSO REPORTS THAT MEMBERS OF CHRISTIAN CLERGY HAVE HAILED THE PRINCIPLED AND CONSISTENT STAND OF THE POLITICAL LEADERSHIP OF THE PARTY AND REVOLUTION IN CONFRONTING THE IMPERIALIST AND ZIONIST CONSPIRACIES.

2. POSTERS ON BAGHDAD STREETS SHOW A PORTRAIT OF SADAT WEARING AN EYEPATCH SUPERIMPOSED ON AN AMERICAN FLAG. BAGHDAD MEDIA CONTINUES, AS IT HAS FOR PAST WEEKS, ITS HEAVY AND HOSTILE FOCUS ON NEWS REPORTS ABOUT  
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